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ORIENTAL 'GHETTO' PLAN COLLAPSES

Weekly Whirligig

By K. W.

Student Oratory . . . Once a year for the past four years this columnist has enjoyed the optimistic brashness of high school orators.

We say enjoy, because it's something like a pleasant little excursion into one's own past warm and rosy days, when no frost had come along to nip our greenness.

These were the days when we heard with greatest glee a college prof. comment: "If a man hasn't been a communist before he's twenty-five, he's a fool; and if he's still a communist after he's twenty-five, he's also a fool." We determined not to be fools.

On the whole the standard of public speaking continues to improve. Although polished orators are still few and far between, we've seen almost the total elimination of the most obvious faults in technique. And the healthiest sign of all is the progress that the boys have made in ending the dominance of the girls in the field of oratory.

We only hope that from these young orators will come the young men and women leaders with the brains and the guts to stick to the principles they urge and to try to put them into practice, no matter how tough the breaks.

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Points of View . . . All week we'd been nursing the scorching blasts we'd intended for our good friend on the City Council. But after reading some of the letters to the editor, and hearing of the protests from the University Women's Club and the Mountain View United Church Ajax Club, we found the scorchers a little bit silly. Then last night an old friend telephoned to invite us to an "international party" —a gang from student days who used to keep the Cosmopolitan Club going—Irish, Chinese, English, Finnish, Icelandic, Japanese, Scotch, East Indian, etc.—are getting together again. After meeting them all, we know we'll feel very much like whistling at Mr. Wilson in the same tone we reserve for Frankie. She's the mongrel bitch at the Chinese Chop Suey House down the street.

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People I've Met . . . Added to the list is George Graham from Yokohama, born in Japan, of a Japan-born father, whose father in turn went to Japan many long years ago as an engineer. George is a rather Englishy young fellow, whose English diction lacks the harsh flatness of plain Canadian. He's on the way to London to join the air force, "to get a crack at the Nazis," as he puts it. And the old Japan that George grew up in has just got to come back, because it's a grand country, says George. "I'm going back there as soon as we lick Hitler."

And after five years we've re-met Hannah Kosaka, whom we met in Seattle in '36, for the first and last impressionable time. She's been in Japan for four years, and says she it's a country that Nisei girls hate for the first six months, but get used to after a year. We suppose so.

On The Newsfront

Registration Committee To Meet Friday

VANCOUVER.—The Registration Committee appointed by the Federal Government to oversee the registration of all Japanese resident in Canada is expected to meet here Friday. A statement on the registration is expected following the meeting.

Acting on the committee are Mayor Fred Hume of New Westminster, chairman; Prof. H. F. Angus, U.B.C., Assistant Commissioner F. J. Mead, R.C.M.P., Lt.-Col. M. F. Macintosh, M.L.A., and Lt.-Col. A. W. Sparling, D.S.O.

Noted Japanese Dancer Returns to the U.S.

SAN FRANCISCO.—Michio Ito, world-famous Japanese dancer, returned to the United States last week on a mission designed to further goodwill and understanding.

He defended "jitterbugging" as a "very interesting and a natural emotional reaction." He explained that Occidental music was an "offshoot of music", while Oriental dancing was an "offshoot of literature."

"East and West today are out of kilter, like a dance team out of balance," Ito said. "We must make adjustments—both East and West—before there is harmony and understanding."

Exchange May Debar Students from Advance

VANCOUVER.— Whether local students from the University of British Columbia will attend the third annual north-west intercollegiate advance to be held in Seattle, Feb. 22, will depend upon the ruling of the Foreign Exchange Control Board as to the sum of funds they will authorize delegates to expend.

Japanese Leaving New York for Japan

NEW YORK. — A rapid movement of Japanese merchants, their wives and families from this city back to Japan is under way owing, it is said, to the fast-declining volume of business arising from American economic pressure against Japan.

Wilson Presses Treaty Break To Effect Discrimination

VANCOUVER.—Defeated in his move for segregation of Orientals in the city by the refusal of aldermen to carry on with a patently illegal act, Ald. H. D. Wilson this week gave notice that he would try new tactics in the City Council next Monday by urging that the city request from the Dominion Government the abrogation of the "Gentlemen's Agreement" of 1913. Abrogation of the agreement would automatically restore to British Columbia the civil and property rights powers which it can now exercise over other nationalities, Ald. Wilson contended, it was reported by The Daily Province.

Victoria could then confer upon the city the right to define areas in which Orientals would be forced to reside.

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Students of the Japanese question in the local community declared that if press reports were wholly correct, Mr. Wilson is certainly confused first, in his understanding of the legal power of the Province to enact discriminatory legislation; secondly in his knowledge of the Gentlemen's Agreement; and thirdly, in his comprehension of the treaty situation as between Canada, Japan and other foreign countries.

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On Monday, Ald. George Buscombe, chairman of the special committee set up to investigate the segregation plan instigated by Wilson, declared he was convinced it was illegal.

"I think the committee can settle and bury it in one short session," he told the metropolitan press. "We were instructed to prepare a by-law to fix areas in which

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"Our Country Too" Title of Nisei Novel

The trials and tribulations of Japanese immigrants and their Canadian-born children will be the theme of a novel tentatively entitled "It's Our Country Too," now being written by Roy Evans, M.A., Vancouver author and contributor to many leading magazines.

Mr. Evans, who is teacher of a correspondence school for writers, is endeavoring to place before the reading public in fiction form, aside from the wealth of color and romance, a picture of the frustrated Nisei as he really is, not as he is often pictured by Occidental people. He hopes that the book when completed will be something of a Canadian "Uncle Tom's Cabin."

When asked about the ending of the novel, Mr. Evans declared that as the outline now stands, it is one with an unhappy ending, but, he smilingly added, "one is never sure what a character will do before the final word is written."

Sunbury Youth Captures Nemichi Cup In High School Oratorical Contest

A thoughtfully considered speech on the task of the Nisei in bringing in a new order of freedom and tolerance, aided by a smooth, reserved delivery won the Nisei high school championship in oratory for Henry Tamaki, Grade 11 student from Ladner High School last Saturday night in the annual contest sponsored by the University Students' Club, thus giving him the right to carry back to his home in Sunbury the magnificent Nemichi Challenge Trophy.

Second place medal winner was a diminutive Grade 10 girl from John Oliver, Mary Inouye, who told the Nisei audience that packed every corner of the hall of the business, social and cultural advantages to be gained from the study of English.

A forceful oration on the war and the Nisei, delivered in the Churchillian tradition, if somewhat lacking in the finesse and grace which that great leader imparts to his speeches, carried Hugo Yamamoto, Britannia High Grade 10 student, to third place in the fourth annual event.

Presentation of Medals

In delivering the decision of Judges A. E. Munro, Jerry Hundal and Thomas Shoyama, the Britannia High principal criticized and complimented each speaker in turn. He awarded the trophy to Tamaki.

Mr. Hundal presented the medals, congratulating the Student Club upon the value of the educational work it was conducting.

Finished and impressive speeches, too, were delivered by Kathleen Kurita, Grandview High, Kinjiro Yamamura, King Edward, and Keiko Inouye, Mission.

(For the text of speeches by Tamaki and Yamamoto see page 6.)

Canadians Protest Oriental Segregation

Strong opposition to the now abandoned move of the City Council to prevent Orientals from living in residential districts of Vancouver, thereby restricting them to certain sections, was voiced at a meeting of the University Women's Club, Monday night.

It was contended that the Chinese couple over whose ownership of a home in Southlands the move was started, were University graduates and that the wife was eligible to become a member of the University Women's Club, and that to discriminate against native-born Chinese would serve no good purpose.

The Club sent a letter of strong protest to the City Council.

A similar letter of protest was forwarded to the Council from the Ajax Club of the Ajax Club of the Mountain View United Church.

STORY OF THE WEEK

Nisei Girl Again Best Actress

Powell Young People's Society again tasted the fruits of triumph in the annual Greater Vancouver Young People's Drama Festival, when Saturday night at Kitsilano High School, adjudicators awarded their play, "Heaven on Earth" the Sun Publishing Company Trophy for the best comedy in the festival. Directed by Rose Castellani, the cast included Aki Hyodo, Koto Yatabe, Henry Ide, Daniel Washimoto and Margaret Hayashi.

Even greater honour was won this year by the Nisei Bette Davis, Aki Hyodo, who for the second successive year captured the Best Actress Trophy donated by Percy Gomery. She competed against some 60 actresses for the premier award.

In announcing the award, Adjudicator Miss Dorothy Somerset said they had given the honour to Miss Hyodo because of the great skill she had displayed in fashioning a uniquely effective characterization, despite the lack of dramatic or comic elements in her role to make it impressive.

In last year's festival Miss Hyodo won the cup for her part in Powell Y. P.'s Grand Challenge Trophy winning play, which this year went to Mountain View Players Club No. 2.

The Best Drama Trophy this year went to Crosby Senior Y. P. S., and the Yamato Silks Special Challenge Trophy to St. Andrew's-Wesley.

Powell Y. P. will present their comedy again on March 1 in the Provincial Drama Festival, to be held in New Westminster.

It is also billed for presentation March 8, when the Society sponsors a concert at the Japanese Hall.

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Nisei Of The Week

"NISEI of the Week" laurels go without stint or reserve to the Powell Young People's Dramatic Group, that once again brings honour to all of us through their sterling performance in the Greater Vancouver Young People's Drama Festival.

Their achievement this year has won for us new friends, and added much to contacts already established in the amateur theatrical world. And the storm of applause that greeted the awarding of the Best Actress Trophy to a Nisei girl for the second successive year bears tribute to the ungrudging admiration of a host of Canadian friends.

We have here, moreover, the most convincing evidence of the manner in which each of us may work with his own talents for the betterment of our relations and the cultivation of our understanding with the average Canadian citizen. For it is wholly true that we must work from among and amidst the great body of the people themselves, prove to them that we are fully qualified as citizens, and secure from willing admission to our claim to an honourable place in Canadian society. And such an admission, the only true and satisfactory basis for our future welfare as Canadians, rests ultimately upon the understanding and friendship that we gain from our fellow citizens.

If we can work toward that end through such cultural avenues that afford us in themselves the pleasure and enjoyment of art, as our amateur actors have fully demonstrated, then we have cause to rejoice.

There are many growing possibilities for such contacts in sport, music, drama, community service and hobbies and cultural pursuits of every kind. If anything, in the past we have been too prone to wrap ourselves up in one own "right little, tight little" community, and neglect what ought to be a fundamental phase of our activity. Amateur theatricals are showing to all of us a path with which we should be already acquainted.

Participation in cultural pursuits with our Canadian friends will bring its own rewards of pleasure and enjoyment. And to them will be added the great asset of friendship and understanding.

NOTHING TO DO

Mr. Hashimoto, who owns a ten-acre farm out Haney way, wanted a Nisei boy to work in the fields. But being a hard taskmaster, he found difficulty in finding anybody who could stay as long as two weeks.

But at last, Mr. Hashimoto finally found one stalwart Nisei youth who was a demon worker. His name was Susumu.

Well, Susumu was a hard worker. He laboured in the fields from dawn until dark, day after day, at times even finishing his chores by lantern light.

But at the end of the month, Susumu went to Mr. Hashimoto and said: "I'm going to quit. You promised me a steady job."

"Well, you have one, haven't you?" Mr. Hashimoto asked in surprise.

"No," said Susumu. "There are three or four hours every night when I don't have a thing to do except fool away my time sleeping."

Protection for Japanese Canadians

THERE need be little doubt in the public mind today, if ever such existed, that the primary motive behind Alderman Halford D. Wilson's anti-Oriental campaign is a Hitleresque attempt at racial persecution. The obviously contradictory attitude he has maintained in his most recent drive for segregation of Orientals in Vancouver gives ample evidence of that fact.

Certainly his acrobatic performance in jumping from attempted discrimination against a Canadian-born Chinese couple to a drive against Japanese aliens is as characteristic of the alderman as his previous flip-flop from direct charges of disloyalty against all Japanese Canadians to an attack on language schools.

Defeated and confounded in his "ghetto movement" by elemental principles of British law and justice, and having led the city fathers into an Oriental-baiting chase which ended in a fiasco, the alderman has again switched fronts. In another of his familiar face-saving gestures, he announces that the root cause of the trouble is the "Gentlemen's Agreement of 1913." Once that is done away with, he claims, there will be no difficulty in initiating a completely legal campaign of persecution, especially against Japanese Canadians.

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It ought to be common knowledge in British Columbia today, and even Mr. Wilson should know this, that the genuine "Gentlemen's Agreement of 1928" concerning immigration is a far different matter from the "Japanese Treaty Act of 1913," which concerns relations between Canada and Japan. The former agreement, in force since 1928, sets a maximum quota of 150 annually for immigrants to enter Canada from Japan.

Under the latter treaty, it is provided that Canadian citizens in Japan, or Japanese citizens in Canada, "shall in all that relates to the pursuit of their industries, callings, professions, and educational studies be placed, in all respects on the same footing as the subjects or citizens of the most favoured nation." That, in short, guarantees that the Japanese Government in Japan shall not impose upon aliens of Canadian citizenship more severe restrictions than upon any other aliens, whether they be American, French, German, Peruvian, etc.

Similarly, in Canada the treaty guarantees that Japanese aliens (that is those who are not British subjects by birth or naturalization) shall not be more restricted than any other alien. Thus, if the Provincial Government enacts legislation aimed specifically against Japanese aliens, and has the effect of discriminating against them, such legislation would be beyond provincial power, and would be a breach of a Federal statute, in this case the Japanese Treaty Act of 1913.

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In actual fact, in Canada neither the provincial nor the federal government is restricted by the constitution in its power to discriminate against racial groups. As Professor Angus writes: "No special legal protection is given to anyone in Canada on grounds of race or of nationality, and it is therefore possible for an Oriental to find that he has no redress against what seems to him very unfair treatment."

And so the situation arises whereby under the Japanese Treaty Act of 1913, Japanese aliens find they have more protection against harsh and discriminatory measures such as Alderman Wilson advocates, than those who are legally either naturalized or natural-born British subjects.

In other words, Isseis, first generation who have never been naturalized, are afforded more protection against attacks of politicians than the Nisei, a disenfranchised group of Canadian-born citizens without power at the polls. It is this wholly anomalous situation, wherein a racial minority of citizens has no power of redress whatsoever, that Alderman Wilson has been, and is, exploiting for political advantage.

The Nisei's only protection lies in the liberal attitude of the courts, intent upon the preservation of an unwritten code of British justice, irrespective of race, color or creed. And that, in essence, is synonymous with the democratic way of life, which we seek to preserve in Europe today.

The extent of Canada's war effort today, the sacrifice of her people, as well as the storm of protest which rose over Mr. Wilson's latest "ghetto plan," is our assurance that these democratic principles are yet dear to the hearts of the majority of Canadians, and the evil forces which Alderman Wilson leads, are yet far from gaining ascendancy in Canada.

AMOR PATRIAE

By [illegible]

Arise, Nisei, the clarions blow;
Arise, O let this epoch note
We are a subject of this time
A [illegible] from the dust [illegible].

Stand [illegible] the [illegible] of our [illegible]
Defend the [illegible]
For [illegible] with [illegible]
[illegible] the [illegible] of our [illegible]

Arise, Nisei, the clarions call!
Serve with a will, we must not fail;
Bound with our pride of lineage
Stand steadfast [illegible] the [illegible] Age.

MORNING

Out of the east the dawn's pale finger
Opens a parchment edged with gold,
Spreads it across the sky—
[illegible] no star [illegible]—
This is the [illegible] of day unfolded.

F. S. L.

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Never let the ambition flag
Nor troubles mar your soul;
For somewhere on the far horizon,
Shines hope's radiant goal.

Forget [illegible],
And never [illegible] falter.
[illegible] the straight [illegible] path that leads you on
To [illegible]
[illegible] life.

S. F.

The Nisei In Japan

(From the [illegible])

TOKYO. — Every ship sailing to the United States from Yokohama harbor these days carries a [illegible] of Nisei passengers. Ever since the U.S. State Department issued advice to all American residents in [illegible] who have non-urgent business to evacuate, there has been a constant stream of Nisei trans-Pacific traffic back to America.

It is quite certain too that the number of Nisei arrivals has been cut down due to restrictions on passage. This coupled with the general exodus of Nisei, especially women and children, has cut down the Nisei population in Tokyo, Yokohama, Osaka and Kobe considerably. One notices this phenomenon at parties and meetings when some of the familiar faces are missing.

Most of the Nisei in Japan, however, are decided to stay, provided they have some useful duties to perform. Many are engaged in journalistic work, and it is their job to stay it out no matter what happens. Those connected with missionary institutions think they can continue to do their useful work in Japan instead of going back. As to teachers of English, literature and music, as long as the situation remains just uneasy they will not abandon their posts. They have developed their own jobs and positions and are reluctant to leave just because the international tension is a little beyond normalcy.

Most of them feel like missionaries here. They have come to do something useful and serve in their own way to improve Japanese-American relations which were none too good even at the time of their departure from the United States. Their sentiment can be summed up by Bishop James Walsh who said: "The Catholics are devoted primarily to the cause of religion and believe it is an institution set apart from diplomacy and international disputes. Therefore, the Catholic missionaries are not planning to evacuate or to leave behind their well-established convents, schools, hospitals and churches."

Many Nisei have established themselves in Japan as business men, social workers, teachers, technicians, journalists or radio artists. They feel they are not responsible for the present strained relations. But they are confident that there are some things within their influence to help solve the issues between the two countries. They believe their works will have weight when properly uttered in this country as well as in the United States.

Aside from those who are gainfully employed, there is a large number of students who are primarily here to study. One of the important motives for these Nisei students studying in Japan is to grasp a working knowledge of the Japanese tongue and psychology so that they can become useful American citizens who understand the Orient and its peoples.

Certainly this is no time to suggest that they quit studying. They should be encouraged to continue their academic activities and break the deadlock that exists between America and Japan. Even if there will be a crisis it will become their duty later on to make smooth the ruffled waters of the Pacific.

Such is the consensus of Nisei opinion in Japan today. They are now caught up in the cross-currents of a strained world situation but they are not so willing to give up their posts simply because the immediate future is not too bright.

California Nisei Preacher Visits Native Home In Haney

Humble were the surroundings but eager were the faces at the Celtic Cannery School Hall Saturday evening as a large number of Isseis, Niseis and many children listened with rapt attention to Rev. Jitsuo Morikawa, at a gathering of the Nisei Christian Fellowship.

Speaking with an earnestness and conviction born of long years of study and devotion to his calling, Rev. Morikawa declared that spiritual birth as described in the Holy Scriptures was just as real an experience as physical birth, and that anyone could readily have it by repenting and putting his faith in God.

The large number of Maple Ridge Young People who had come all the way from the Valley to attend the meeting looked with pride upon the young minister, who himself was born in that district. It was in the Haney Baptist Church that as a young lad he decided to devote his life to the service of Christ.

Shortly after he graduated from MacLean High School in Haney, he left for Los Angeles where he majored in history at that city's University of California. Taking part in church work in California's Southlands, the future pastor equipped himself for his tasks by attending first the Bible Institute, and later the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary at Louisville, Kentucky, where he obtained his Master of Divinity degree.

Busy Life

Down in California he leads a strenuous life. He is at present ministering to the spiritual needs of the Nisei in churches at Gardena, Los Angeles and Terminal Island.

The popularity of his ministry in the southern cities was fully borne out on a recent occasion, when this Canadian-born Nisei was asked to officiate at a graduation service of a leading Gardena High School, the first time any such honour has been accorded a Japanese preacher.

He has had very little rest during his short two-weeks holiday at home, addressing numerous gatherings. He left to resume his duties in California last Wednesday, amid the farewells of homefolks.

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Gakuyukai Lays Plans For Annual Oratorical Event

The Principal Sato Challenge cup will be the trophy at stake, Saturday night, May 10, when graduate clubs of the Alexander School gather at the hall to boost their representatives to victory in the annual Gakuyukai-sponsored oratorical contest.

Meeting last week, executives drew up tentative plans for the event. Ten minutes is the time limit set for speakers, who choose their own topics. In addition to the challenge trophy, three individual awards will be presented.

Handling the arrangements is a committee comprising President Kaz Suga, the oratorical convenor, and presidents of the affiliated clubs.

Voted into the position of honorary president in recognition of his long years of active service to the Gakuyukai was Harry S. Kondo. He will also act on the committee with Mat Matsui and Roy Kumano, to whom have been entrusted the task of selecting a suitable club pin.

Nomura Urges Nisei Loyalty To America

SAN FRANCISCO. — U.S. Destroyers King and Lawrence escorted the Kamakura Maru into the harbour here early last Thursday morning, as a mark of international courtesy to the new Japanese ambassador to the United States, Admiral Kichisaburo Nomura.

In a statement to the public the new envoy said:

"I do hope there will be no conflict between these two great nations. The Nisei who are people of this country, the United States, by their birthright, should obey the laws and be loyal. Do not get excited by this critical tension that now exists.

"As for the first generation Japanese, they must always be patient and try to assist and promote a better understanding between the two nations."

Celtic Cannery

Yamamoto Again Y.M.A. President

President Ichiro Yamamoto, whose dynamic personality has been the mainstay of the Celtic Y.M.A., was accorded an overwhelming vote of confidence when returned to office at the annual meeting last Sunday afternoon.

The newly-elected executive, with M. Sasaki, vice-president, M. Yoshihara, treasurer, G. Omotani, secretary, and a committee of six went on record as favoring the continuation and enhancement of such activities as sport's day, presentation of picture shows, addresses by well-known citizens, and "shuji" meetings which had received tremendous interest and acclaim from the whole community in the past year.

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Niseis and Occidentals (many coming from as far as Haney and Hammond) formed the capacity audience that heard the Rev. Jitsuo Morikawa of Terminal Island, California, addressing a meeting of the Nisei Christian Fellowship on Saturday night.

The programme, which also included songs and music by noted radio artists and speakers, was one of the most unique ever presented hereabouts and it is hoped that the enthusiasm shown will induce the Fellowship group to stage similar meetings in the future.

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Women's War Effort

Tairiku Hall New Red Cross Centre

The Japanese Canadian Red Cross Unit will make its new home at the Tairiku Hall, thanks to the generosity of the Continental Daily News, Japanese Language paper, in donating the hall for Red Cross work, it was announced last Sunday, following a meeting of the executive.

The regular schedule of group meetings will be carried on, as well as the Unit "Work Night."

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Acknowledgements

The Japanese Canadian Red Cross Unit gratefully acknowledges a generous donation of $10 from the Fairview Joshi Shuyokai.

Grateful acknowledgement is also made to Mr. E. Morii for his donation of $10, and to Mr. and Mrs. F. Oku of O'Brien Bay, who contributed $3.

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Every member is reminded of the annual meeting to be held on February 23, at 3:00 p.m. in the Nippon Club. Friends are also invited to this important meeting.

Norman Sommerville, K.C., Toronto, chairman of the Central Council of the Canadian Red Cross Society, will attend the annual meeting of the B.C. Division of the Canadian Red Cross Society. The gathering will be held in the Hotel Vancouver, Tuesday and Wednesday February 18 and 19.

East Richo-Chats

Valentine Dance . . .

At last I'm here to tell you folks that the date for the Hamilton Schools Valentine Dance has been settled . . . Saturday, February 15, from 8 to 1:00 a.m.

The dance will be held at Hamilton School, corner of New Westminster Highway and Hamilton Road, to raise funds for the school library.

From 8 to 9:30 p.m. whist will be played, so come on, folks, one and all, let's make it a success.

Music will be merry with Otto S., his guitar and many others. Tickets are 25c (refreshments included).

Motion Picture . . .

The Japanese motion picture film, "Aisen-katsura" shown at the New Westminster Buddhist Temple by the East Richmond Fukei-kai in aid of the local Gogakko, attracted a fair audience. The picture was presented by Mr. Tsuyuki of Shinko-Sha.

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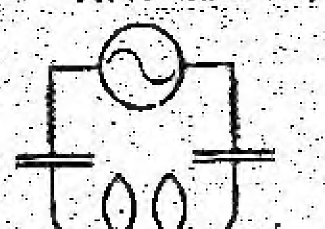
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Town Topics . . .

Congratulations

Among the candidates who achieved honours in the practical examinations of the Trinity College of Music held here recently, were two Niseis, Koto Yatabe and Roy Shinobu.

Miss Yatabe passed the higher practical examination in elocution while Mr. Shinobu wrote the preparatory examination in piano.

Shiseikai Executives

At a meeting held last Sunday officers of Shiseikai appointed the following members as executives: Fumi Deshima, Mary Miyazaki, Satoko Kutsukake, Lily Ide, Mitsuye Sasaki, Fumiko Mizusawa, Hisako Shintani, Kachi Yanagizawa, Joe Akiyama, Hideo Oshima, Kenzie Nozaki and Takeo Maizawa.

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Bridal Path

At the Hompa Buddhist Temple on February 8, Satoko Furumoto exchanged marriage vows with Shoji Konishi, son of Mrs. Hisayo Konishi of this city.

The bride is the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kanichi Furumoto of Sechelt, B. C.

The baishakunins were Mr. and Mrs. Mitsui and Mrs. Togawa, all of Vancouver.

After the ceremony the newly-wedded couple left for Victoria.

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The Powell United Church on February 11, at 6 p.m. was the setting for the wedding of Shizue, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ikebuchi, and Mr. Hiroshi Kutsukake, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Kutsukake.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride was a charming picture in a princess cut gown of chenille marquisette with peter pan collar and puff sleeves, buttoned snugly to the waist. The graceful skirt, cut in redingote style, flared gracefully at the hemline. Her veil was caught with tiny orange blossoms. She carried a bouquet of orchids, pink rosebuds, fragrant lilies of the valley and maidenhair fern.

Mrs. George Ishiwara, matron of honor, and Miss Pat Ikebuchi, maid of honour, completed the bridal party.

After a reception at the Fuji, the happy couple left for Victoria via Nanaimo.

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Religious Education

Sunday, February 16, is being celebrated throughout Canada as Religious Education Sunday, and the Powell United Church will hold services in observance of the day. At the morning service, Sunday School teachers will be installed.

In the evening, "The Astounding Paradox" will be the subject of a special sermon to be delivered by the Rev. Gerald Switzer, Ph.D., professor of Religious Education at Union.

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FEBRUARY

14—St. Valentine's Day.
15—[illegible] J.J.C.A. Basketball Dance, St. Anne's Parish Hall. Dancing 8.30 to 12. Tickets 50c.
17—Marpole Y.M.B.A. Skatefest at [illegible] 8:30 p.m. Tickets [illegible] members.
22—Strathcona Grade [illegible] Reunion, [illegible], 6 p.m.
22—International Basketball Game and Dance, Exhibition Gardens, 7 p.m.

MARCH

8—Powell Y.P.S. Concert, Japanese Hall.

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"Council"

(Continued from Page 1.)

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"All the bylaws in the world wouldn't change the right of Orientals to the protection of federal law. That applies to those who come here, and especially to those born here."

"In any case," the alderman said, "I don't see that the better-class Oriental is any great detriment to any district."

Mayor Cornett was quoted as taking a new attitude to the effect that: "If we can't live with them here, I don't see how we can expect to get along with them in Heaven."

Theological College

Special messages will be heard from representatives of the C.G.I.T. Luxis and Y.P.S. Tatsuo Samiya, tenor, will be the soloist, the choir will render choral music.

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Heading the show will be the recent G.V.Y.P.U. Drama Festival prize-winning comedy, "Heaven on Earth," starring the twice-winner of the "best actress" cup, Aki Hyodo, supported by the other reliables, Koto Yatabe, Henry Ide, Daniel Washimoto and Margaret Hayashi.

Then there is that great Japanese drama, "Tsumi-naki-Tsumi," directed by our local Alfred Hitchcock, Mr. Mataemon Fujita. This play, which runs the gamut of emotions from A to Z, has the following able and experienced players: Kay Fujiwara, Mata Okamura, Eiko Hemmi, Kazuko Yanagi, Kasey Oyama, Hideo Takahashi and Mat Masui.

Supporting the above plays on the musical portion of the program will be such favorite artists as Lily Shishido, Kats Oyama, Frank Kumagai, the Nicholson sisters, and several instrumentalists.

Choral Music

In addition the Hall will resound to the harmonious strains of choral music for the first time in its history, when the Junior Church Choir of twenty voices sings two semi-classical songs.

As if the above were not enough, there are two "surprise" items in preparation, the details of which cannot be divulged. They are, however, guaranteed to be hilarious and to be uniquely different from anything presented heretofore in the community.

Tickets being distributed this week may be obtained from members.

Ryubikai Presents Classical Odori

At seven o'clock this coming Saturday evening, February 15, the curtain will rise on one of the high spots of the community's cultural life, when the pupils of the Ryubikai will give a performance of classical Japanese dances at the Japanese Hall.

Starting off the evening's program will be Harumi Tomotsugu, one of Ryubikai's most seasoned performers. Following her are two newcomers, Eiko Tsuji and Yasuko Iwasaki. The former will present "Gion Koishiya," the latter "Kuro Kami," an old favorite describing a Kyoto odori or dance.

Petite Ikumi Yamashita will be seen in a solo effort, "Fuji Hime." Legend has it that the painter Matabe Mitsuoki Tosa had painted such a beautiful and realistic portrait of a maiden that it came to life.

"Echigo Jishi," the age-old favorite depicting the dance form popularized by Kabukei of Echigo country will be the offering of Miyoko Kariya.

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[O]N THE HOME FRONT

Canadian Women and the War

[illegible] Red Cross meeting—Wealthy women; happy women in a [illegible] knitting thick worsted socks and heavy helmets for [illegible]. And as the needles clicked, the tongues wagged in time with [illegible]. "My dear," said one woman, "I saw the most beau[tiful] [illegible] at Pop's!" There was a note of yearning in the voice. "[I'd] advise you to buy it now, Doris, for with the war on, you never [can] tell when prices will rise." And then commenced a murmur of voices [as] they "oh'd" and "ah'd" over the latest fashions. These are Canadian [w]omen.

And in England, now, a mist hangs heavy upon the land. In the cold, wet February dawn, to the shrill call of a whistle, people in uniform go their way to cook in military camps, in army centres, in air-raid shelters. Drawing a soldier's pay, living a soldier's life, these are England's women.

Out of the dark night the banshee wails its warning note—an air [raid] signal sounds. And helter-skelter, down into the depths of the [ground] disappear the populace. A bomb bursts in the deserted street. A [dead] cathedral trembles and falls! Out of the shadows two vehicles [appear] and like fantastic inhabitants from another planet, groups of [rubber]-clad, gas-masked figures alight, to move about the debris, some [to rescue] victims, others to pick up shattered bits of bomb and samples [of] earth which are later to be analyzed to determine the type of gas so [th]at suitable antidotes may be employed to combat future catastrophes. [The]se fantastic figures—these too, are England's women.

From early dawn to set of sun, replacing husbands and brothers, bending over the earth, hoeing, watering, seeding—these are Germany's women. Bending over plans, bending over tables in munition plants—these too, are Germany's women.

Canadian women, knitting in warm club rooms, do they fully realize [th]e significance of the war? Little do they realize, their pretty brows furrowed over the problem of what colored drapes to hang in the living [ro]om, the awful rise in the price of beef, or how to squeeze out a new [per]manent, or whether Junior is getting the most out of school, that [wart]ime demands more than just knitting socks and sweaters.

Canadian women are fortunate women. Their English and German [cou]sins have felt the impact of war-time regimentation in those very [thi]ngs which are dear to the hearts of women.

In July, 1939, an order from Hitler placed Germany on a war-[ec]onomy basis with the whole industrial set-up concentrated on pro[duc]ing munitions. The nation's food habits were changed from bread to [pot]atoes, meat to fish, from fats to sugar. Although the fighting men [get] rationings of meat, eggs, butter and vegetables, the common wage-[earn]er's typical meal consists of lentils and cabbage. Substitutes, dis[cov]ered in scientific laboratories, are introduced into the menu of the [po]pulation. Such a substitute is the artificial egg, called "milei," made [of] buttermilk and various chemicals, sold in the form of powder, and [cla]iming to be more nourishing than real eggs. Absurd as the claims may [be], German women are complying with Government decrees.

A hausfrau, squeezing toothpaste on her brush each morning, is [con]fronted with the warning, "Throwing away this tube is forbidden [und]er penalty of the law. It contains a metal precious to the fatherland. [De]liver it to your four-year-plan office." Such is Germany's fight [ag]ainst waste.

When the Canadian Government places a ban on luxuries, with the [su]bsequent threat on the supply of silk, women went into a panic. And [ye]t in Germany, even this special realm of womanfolk has been invaded [by] war-time decrees. The "normal" amount of clothing for German [w]omen include the bare necessities—two dresses, two uniforms (if re[qu]ired), two aprons, one sweater, one raincoat, one winter coat, one pair [of] gloves, three chemises, three pair drawers, two petticoats, two nightgowns, [six] pair stockings, six handkerchiefs, two pair shoes, one pair slippers. And here in Canada, women are worrying over luxuries such as fur coats [an]d new spring bonnets!

Canada does not ask of her women such spectacular feats as driving ambulance cars or regimentation in army centres as England asks of her women. Canada does not ask of her women such curtailment of necessities or the sacrifice of personal luxuries as Germany demands of its women. Rather, she asks each Canadian woman to play her part within her own special sphere, within the limits of her own endurance, intelligently and wisely. Surely, Canadian women, living in a land, which, despite the war, is practically normal and untrammelled, can do as much or more than her fair cousins!

To knit for the Red Cross, to enroll in the various women's service [lea]gues, is not enough. These are worthy services, needful services too. But it is within the home that Canadian women must do more than they are doing now. Within her shining kitchen, each woman is asked to practice a self-induced economy. Simple things, such as planning two meals at a time to eradicate waste from left-overs, remembering to turn off the lights, watching monthly fuel consumption. They are asked to shop with an eye for durability and practicality as well as for appearance and cut—to pay a little more for shoes, to select clothes that can be worn for two seasons, to choose skirts with adjustable hemlines. These in themselves are little things, but little things essential for war-economy. And the small savings will serve in "Buying British," in women's participation in all government-directed war efforts such as stamps and bonds and loans.

This is war time and war time demands sacrifices. The war costs [fift]y-seven million dollars a day. "England expects every man to do his duty." Memorable words uttered at Trafalgar. Today, it rings through[out] the Empire, calling, not only men, but women also. And Canadian women must do their part.

It takes more than knitting or wearing a service uniform to preserve all those privileges that Canadian women now enjoy.

Too Particular

THERE was a time when Kazuo would call up any girl and get a date just like that. There was Mary. He'd taken her out four or five times. Then, there was Rosie, June, Mitsuko, Chiyoko, Kimiko, Haruko and a whole list of others. But everyone of these girls were wise to him. And poor Kazuo couldn't do a thing about it.

In fact he was so sad he even half-heartedly contemplated suicide. "What's the use of living," he'd often mutter to himself, "if women won't have anything to do with me. Women are what we live for, anyhow it's what I live for."

But after thinking it over carefully, Kazuo arrived at the conclusion that women were a dime a dozen. Wasn't it said that Nisei women out-numbered the fellows something like three to one?

Yet no matter how hard or how earnestly he tried, Kazuo was unsuccessful in his love affairs. All the girls knew him. They didn't trust him. Then, too, he was too particular.

Then, along came Kiyoko and changed Kazuo's entire outlook on life. Prior to meeting Kiyoko, Kazuo thought all girls were just girls. Except for their certain peculiarities, every girl was the same. And nothing in the girl's make-up could cause Kazuo to go wild about them. But Kiyoko was different, and he fell in love with her on sight.

Kazuo was so much in love with Kiyoko that he couldn't see straight. He couldn't work. He ate but little. And he formed the idea that he couldn't live without her. Yet, he hadn't even asked her to go out with him. But he'd gotten so sick of being turned down that he didn't want to ask Kiyoko.

But finally he mustered up enough courage to dial her number. "But after all, she's just another dame," he tried to kid himself, but it caused pain deep down in his heart.

Yes, Kiyoko went out with him. He found her delightful, intoxicating and full of life. He'd never had so much fun before, and he wondered why he had ever taken the other girls out. Kiyoko learned all about his past exploits, but she didn't care, for she found Kazuo much to her liking. They kept steady company for several months.

Then, Kazuo, eyes opened, began to find fault with her. Everything was wrong with her. He had been so infatuated he hadn't noticed that she had slightly bowed legs. And that was one of the things that Kazuo hated in girls. You see, he was too particular.

So today, Kiyoko and the others are happily married, while Kazuo is still looking for his dream girl.

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By Cinderella

You hold Beauty within your two slim hands . . .

Girls, look at yourself in a mirror. Are you as divine as Hedy La Marr or Madeleine Carroll? If so, pass on to some other page, for this column is not for you. Are you a plain Jane? Are you just ordinary? Or perhaps your only claim to beauty is a pert nose, or a pair of twinkling eyes, or perhaps a rosebud mouth? Then, you have within your two slim hands the possibilities of beauty, glamour, attractiveness.

There is no such thing as a "homely face." That went out with bustles, camisoles and red-flannel petticoats. Look at the so-called beautiful girls around you. Take a good, critical look at them. Why, Mariko's nose is really too large for the rest of her face! You've never noticed it before, but Yoshiko's teeth are irregular. Mitsuye's eyes are nondecript. Sumiko's complexion is nothing to write about, but then she has the most mobile, exciting mouth! Heavens, they're not really beautiful!

You, yourself, may have a nicer nose, lovelier eyes, a more flawless complexion, but somehow or other, it has "missed fire." The truth is that while you have been sighing for perfection, and gazing at others in envy, they have learned to play up their good features in such a way as to detract from their bad points. They have learned to seek "attractive individuality" rather than mathematical perfection.

Little lady, glance into your mirror. Glance into it critically, and search out your good points. Nature is never so unkind as not to have given you at least one good feature. Emphasize it! Play it up! Catch on? Too many people try to improve their bad points by rouge, lipstick, powder and other cosmetics, hoping thereby to improve on nature's errors. Can't be done, little lady. They let their best points go instead of making them the focal points of their face.

A Head of Shining Hair

The beauty of French women is legendary, yet French women, as a race, have noses which are really too large for true symmetry. But through careful study they have learned to play up their hair—and by adding lustre to their tresses, by adopting smart coiffures—they have detracted attention from their noses. And a head of shining hair has covered a number of other sins, like harshness which wearing glasses can give to a face, or imperfect teeth, or bad complexion.

Perhaps your eyes are your best feature—eyes that are sparkling and alive with hidden laughter; eyes that are slumbering, mysterious pools; or eyes that are steadfast and true. Or perhaps they have a piquant slant to them. Play them up! And a discreet use, yes, discreet use of mascara and eye shadow will bring out the hidden beauty in your eyes.

Interesting Individuality

It may be that your eyes are small and uninteresting, but you have beautiful lips, soft and mobile. Play it up. Give it colour with some exciting exotic shade of lipstick. And the eyes will fall into the shadow.

Some faces are difficult, but even in the most irregular faces, there is the compensating factor, termed "character." The trouble with all of us is that we wish perfection—that perfect symmetry, with eyebrows even, lips just so, hairline exactly classical in outline. We forget that irregularities can be made an asset, a mark of individualism. And it makes a face different and interesting. And nowadays, "interesting" and "beautiful" are almost synonymous. Look at Vivien Leigh. Her one eyebrow is higher than the other—and as a result, hers is that impish quality which sets her definitely apart, and makes her interesting.

Girls, within your two slim hands, you hold the secret key to beauty!

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Who's Sentimental?

When it seems the fashion to scoff at everything that hints of sentiment, we find that the so-called "cynical, worldly male" is a sentimentalist at heart. And don't let them tell you otherwise, for it will be to your detriment. If the following story doesn't reveal the inner sentimental man, then I don't know what does.

"What is love?" I asked several young ladies.

"Love," replied the lady doctor, "is a mutual attraction between the sexes for the perpetuation of the species."

The lady psychologist said, "Love is concentrated jealousy which causes one individual to prefer another to the exclusion of all others."

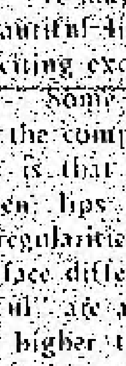
The lady in the chorus said, "Love is what I feel when he clips a $50,000 bracelet on my wrist."

"Love is grand," sighed the young lady in the local bookshop.

It was the young lady in the bookshop whom I took out that evening.

—*L. O. Walker in "London Opinion."*

Thanks, Mr. Walker! Yes, even in this age of so-called realism a wee bit o' sentiment goes a long way, girls!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The Nisei And The New Order

By Henry Tamaki

(First prize oration delivered by Henry Tamaki, [illegible] High School, in the Fourth [illegible] Japanese Students' Club Oratorical Contest.)

THE more I study history the more I wonder why people use such catch words as "New Order," New Deal, New Life Movement, New Age, new this and new that. However, what I mean by New Order is not the New Order of Asia, or the new order of Europe, of Africa, but a new realization of the right of human beings to live together in comparative peace and happiness.

We learn in our history lessons that North America has, for centuries, been the refuge of the oppressed peoples of the old world. When the yoke of the oppressor became unbearable, those who loved freedom and hated tyranny, moved to this land of promise. Some came to escape military or political tyranny, others to secure freedom of religious worship, others to find a home and opportunity to build a future, free from the ravages of starvation, debt, and taxes. America became known as the land of the free. Canada, too, became the protector of man's rights. People from every country of the old world came and settled down together to give of our best in talent and culture to the building of a great future for a free and equal people.

WHILE the people of all lands have united in the building up of Canada and have turned the wilderness into a garden of Eden and into cities with their hives of industry, we have all lacked sufficient wisdom and foresight to use the natural gifts of the world to our best advantage. Surely we have enough wealth so that every one of us can enjoy that way of life for which the pioneers had struggled. The Japanese are not free of blame either. In a way we are by nature too fatalistic. If we are driven from one kind of occupation we do so with only meek protest. If we see vicious attacks against ourselves, we only sulk —and wait for the other fellow to do the protesting. If our problems seem too difficult, we crawl into a hole and indulge in wishful day dreaming. When we do not have the franchise, we lose interest in politics.

On the other hand, our fellow Canadians who have the vote do not seem to be able to agree on how to use it most effectively for the good of all. Many leaders, whose duty it is to show the way to a better way of life, have wasted time and effort in trying to place the blame upon others to cover up their own failures. The Japanese have come in for the lion's share of the blame.

WE are often told that what we sow we must also reap. The mistakes of the past have now come back to plague us. Greed, petty selfishness, lack of understanding, and intolerance are the evils of the world. Nationally and internationally, we have broken all of God's ten commandments. We have changed "thou shalt not covet" to "thou shalt covet." These mistakes have brought chaos and destruction instead of the freedom, order and security that all mankind want to have. Whatever may have been the cause of the breakdown of world peace, Japanese have come in for the lion's there is something wrong. We should all be able to live together in peace. Perhaps the wrongs and injustices of the old order have brought down its destruction. In any case, there is a growing realization that something must be done. We failed to learn the lesson of the last war.

Recently a British statesman posed this question: "When Hitler is defeated and Nazilsm is destroyed what have we to offer in its place?" We must help to find an answer. It will require much study. It will also require the practice of justice, tolerance and co-operation. We must demonstrate that Democracy can be made to work better than dictatorship. We must strive to retain and apply the ideals of democracy in international as well as national relationships. It is for this reason that we hope that all nations now, including the country of our forefathers, will eventually decide to unite their forces with those who would share the world's freedom and prosperity, rather than those who would by brute force impose its poverty and despotism.

THERE is much to be done. The most urgent task facing the Niseis is that of assisting in bringing the new order of freedom and tolerance. These are not empty words. If we as a race feel that we are slighted or wronged, compare our position with the sorry plight of the peoples of the Jewish race in every country of Hitler's domination. Their fate is an example of what American citizenship might do.

We must remember that when people are engaged in a life and death struggle in defence of their ideals and even of their very existence, their nerves are prone to become frayed. They are likely to be suspicious of everything, even of their friends. Intolerance is fostered by the few. We must try to overcome intolerance with tolerance. We must continue to set an example of courageous faith in the future. We must remain our industrious and thrifty selves. We have been promised immunity from the abuse and intolerance of that noisy and petty minority who would wrong us.

I believe that this very wise course shows vividly the very difference between Nazi Germany and Democratic Canada. This shows too that we are gradually being considered an integral part of this great land and heritage. Our future is bound up with Canada's future and with the revival of true democratic ideals.

It is our duty therefore to assist to the utmost of our ability in the building of a democracy which would defend its citizens against want and privation and intolerance.

World War II And The Nisei

By Hugo Yamamoto

(Third prize oration delivered by Hugo Yamamoto, Britannia High School.)

SEPTEMBER 8, 1939. This day will remain a significant day in the annals of Canadian history. For it was this day that Canada declared war against a tyrant who attempted to sweep European civilization to slavery. Canada, once more, plunged into the bitter turmoil of war and bloodshed. Thousands of young men march with courage and determination written on their lips. Our own Canadian troops have gone overseas to guard the motherland and to check the penetration of the dreaded Swastika. Many go, but not all return. Of those who return many will be maimed for life. Once again we see barbarism in the raw!

But, it is not only those brave men who face the hazards of roaring volleys of guns. No, civilians, too, are imperilled by the deadly bombs dropping incessantly. Many are boys and girls like you and me, still enjoying school. Some are mothers of little children. Some of those who survive are bereft of their husbands and sons, killed in action.

Picture to yourselves Mrs. Jones with a babe in arm, hurrying to the bulletin board. Then picture again Mrs. Jones' eyes filled with tears as she finds her husband's name listed under "killed in action." Suddenly a siren screams. Enemy planes are approaching. Mrs. Jones runs for shelter in a damp, dusty cellar, fearing every moment a Nazi bomb. Such is no dream—it is brute reality.

We, who live in Canada are truly fortunate that we are not near the zone of hostilities. Perhaps it is because of the great distance our homes are from the theatre of war that we are not fully aware of the urgent need of aid to Britain.

THE artificial boom created by war requirements has improved economic conditions in Canada. Production increases; prices and wages rise; money flows freely; business conditions rise. In fact it is claimed that business conditions in Canada has not been equalled since 1929. I, too, seem to follow the rising spirits of the better times. But, suddenly my thought turns to the less fortunate ones across the Atlantic. Then I realize how little we think of them. In our own Empire, men, women and children are suffering. Why?—for the preservation of Democracy, for the preservation of the principles of Liberty, Equality, and Fraternity, which we, too, cherish. I realize how selfish we are. Through my mind I realize that this selfishness is contrary to the true spirit of a democratic state as Canada. The fundamental concept of democracy is a state in which all individuals cooperate with one another. I firmly believe in the principles of:

"Each for all, and all for each."

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At the outbreak of the war, Prime Minister Mackenzie King uttered the following words:

"If Britain goes down, if Europe goes down, the whole business of isolation will prove to be a mere myth. There will in time be no freedom on this continent; there will be no liberty. Life will not be worth living. It is for all of us on this continent to do our part to save its privileged position by helping others."

In other words, he stated that the government of the people, by the people, for the people will perish from the face of this earth unless we give close cooperation to the government.

WHEN the war broke out the expectation that Niseis would be called up for military service did not materialize. The Prime Minister of Canada last month issued a statement that no Orientals will be called for service. Needless to say, the Niseis concerned were enraged at such a statement from Ottawa. Such an action is the dictate of the majority to the minority. Sad to say, the word "Democracy" through abuse by some cheap and petty politicians (for example, a certain city Alderman) has come to mean rule by the majority, and not by the will of all. To the statement above the Niseis could do no more than to send a protest to Ottawa, knowing it would be of no avail.

But the Niseis should not be downhearted at the unequal treatment cast upon them. Canada says she does not require the services of Japanese Canadians in her military forces, but does not free them of their duty to Canada in her war effort. The war begins at home and ends in the front. Economy and morale are the backbone of a fighting force. Without this backbone, an army is of no use. To strengthen the backbone is our duty. We must sacrifice economically and materially. To do away with luxury and extravagance will be nothing when we think of those at the front.

True, many Niseis, singly and through small organizations have donated money and cooperated materially through the Red Cross. But, cannot the Niseis as one solid group raise funds specifically for war aid purposes? Here is a chance for a solid union. This project can be anything—but, it must be borne by the whole of the Niseis. The aid of small groups does not have much force, but the joint forces of all Nisei organizations can augment the effort tremendously. To accomplish such an endeavour, I suggest, raffles, a play, or a Nisei jamboree.

I know that once the character of the project has been fully explained each and every Nisei will be willing to aid such a worthy purpose. Who knows, this may be the rolling stone for better understanding of the Nisei by the Occidentals.

TONIGHT I took this opportunity to inculcate upon the minds of the fellow Niseis, the position and duties of the Niseis as citizens of a nation at war.

It is opportune at this point to remember the words of Victor Hugo: "In the left hand is Destruction; in the right, Progress."

With our left hand we shall smash Hitler. With our right we shall aid Britain.

With firm hearts, we, Niseis, must stand solidly together to help the fight for our democratic ideals. The principles of democracy which we have long have loved and cherished are at stake. We must not fail; we cannot fail, we shall not fail.

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The JCCL basketballers took the Tuxis Beavers into camp last week with a 28-20 victory, thereby causing a three-way tie in the Victoria Japanese Community Basketball League. All three teams being deadlocked with five wins and five losses apiece.

After taking a 6-2 lead in the first quarter the JCCL quintet were never bothered. The score at half-time was 10-4 and the finish of the third quarter was 18-12 in favor of the winners.

JCCL: J. Shimizu 10, T. Shimizu 9, S. Ioi 5, Munco Kawasoe, G. Kuwata 4, M. Okamoto—Total 28.

Beavers: Y. Shimizu 4, T. Uyede 9, K. Kuwabara 6, P. Hasegawa 1, K. Takkahashi, G. Uyede—Total 20.

Steveston Finally Wins One

Steveston shuttlers finally did it! After trying in vain to chalk up a win in their last two showings, they finally blasted out a win over the winless Maple Ridge crew to place third in the race for the Japanese Badminton League throne.

The defending champion Powell Y. P. S. bird enthusiasts proved they are still the team to beat regardless of the change in the team personnel when they dumped the luckless Strathcona team seven games to three last Monday at the Strathcona gym.

Y.P.'s made a clean sweep of the mixed doubles but failed to stop Roy Kamino and Yoshi Ono, hard-working Strathcona men's combination. Kamino and Ono were "hot" and won all their assignments with flying colors.

Steveston has shown vast improvement since the start of the season and is finishing off their league games very strongly. But it's a little too late to make any difference to the league standing.

Y.P.S. vs. STRATHCONA

Fujioka-Kameda vs. Hagino-Yamashita 21-23, and Kamino-Ono 13-21; Shimizu-Fujita vs. Hagino-Yamashita 21-7, and Kamino-Ono 13-21; Uyeda-Kumagai 15-8; Teiko Ide-Uyeda vs. Lily Ide-Toyota 15-2, and Kay Uyeno-Yatabe 15-3; Chiyo Hyodo-Kunigasi vs. Lily Ide 15-7, and Kay Uyeno-Yatabe 15-3.

MAPLE RIDGE vs. STEVESTON

Nakade-Ichino vs. Yamamoto-Omura 21-11, and Oki-Kanzaki 21-10; M. Nishi-H. Nishi vs. Yamamoto-Omura 16-21, Oki-Kanzaki 21-24; F. Nishi-Hamade vs. Tamura-Kobayashi 21-8; H. Hamade-Sadako Iwasa vs. Kobayashi-Rose Takahashi 18-15, and Tamura-Kay Yamaga 15-7; F. Nishi-Kiyo Okokata vs. Kobayashi-Rose Takahashi 4-15, and Tamura-Kay Yamaga 16-17; Rose Takahashi-Kay Yamaga vs. Kiyo Okokata-Sadako Iwasa 12-15.

Titlists May Topple: Femmes Flash Form

"Bing" Tanaka, director of the local tennis league, will be in charge of the Third Annual B. C. Open Japanese Table Tennis Tuornament to be held at the Pender Bowling Alley this Saturday night. So rapidly has this game gained popularity in "Nihon-machi" that the number of entries for the tournament has reached an all-time high.

Over seventy devotees of all calibres, city leaguers, seniors, juniors and girls will apply every ounce of their knowledge of ping-pong strategy, finesse and footwork in an endeavour to carry home a piece of the coveted silverware at stake.

Stop Tanaka

Japanese Table Tennis League will have to start hustling for another donor of the cup to take place of "Chuck" Tanaka Trophy unless somebody comes along to stop "Bing" Tanaka. Tanaka has won the senior trophy for two consecutive years and a win this year will enable him to take permanent possession of the coveted prize.

Though deemed invincible in the past, he should get some stiff competition from such stars as Yoichi Yasui, Yoshi Kozai, George Yoshinaka, Tatsuo Kagawa and many up-and-coming stars.

Junior leaguers, 18 years and under will all be vieing for the New Pier Cafe Trophy won last year by Tatsuo Kagawa. With the new age limit coming into effect, many ranking juniors will have to participate in senior company, leaving the junior field open for one of the many promising rookie stars now taking part in the Japanese League.

The senior double crown will be defended by Yozy Yasui and Yoshi Kozai. Yasui and Kozai fooled the dopesters last year by upsetting "Bing" Tanaka and Yoichi Yasui. Junior doubles will be left open with the withdrawal of Koichi Kaminishi and Tatsuo Kagawa.

The coming tourney will create a new interest when the girls make their debut in the first open table meet. It was recently introduced in a closed meet when four girls took part. Already twelve have signed up for the battle of the fairer sex.

Junior Cage

Tuxis Still Tops But Yehudis Keep Pace

The league-leading Tuxis boys really turned on the heat Tuesday and put on a sweet display of hoopla to bump the casaba lads from Fairview 47-23 in the Junior loop. Tuxis led by smoothie Akira Sunahara's 22-point scoring binge, were leading 37-10 at the start of the last quarter, and although Fairview staged a half-hearted rally in the final canto which netted them 13 points, they could get nowhere near the pace-setters.

The second-place Yehudis, strong and dangerous contenders for league supremacy, picked up a brace of wins in their stride when they tripped Munco Miike's junior Marpole boys, 21-16. Last Tuesday night they thoroughly shellacked the still winless Trojans 52-30. Yehudi sharpshooters on both occasions were Funamoto, Maikawa and Kawamoto.

Trojans almost broke the zero on their win column last Saturday night when they lost a close call to junior East End Monarchs. Trojans, led by Yamabe, and smoothie Matsuba, deuced the game at 27-27 at the finish of the third quarter, but Jimmy Tokawa's boys outscored the cellar-position team 11-6 in the last frame to gain a sizeable margin of victory.

Prince Rupert Niseis Active

Japanese Canadian Y.O.

At the first meeting of the Japanese Canadian Youth Organization held this year, three members, Miss Itu Kanaya, Tomi Tanaka and Hiro Yamaoka gave interesting talks on the following topics: "Imitation," "Efficiency," and "The Japanese Language." Their speeches were well received by the members.

At the first devotional meeting of the year, January 23, the Nippon A.Y.P.A. had the pleasure of hearing Captain Dunford, D.D. speak on "Utopia." The members received his talk with deep appreciation.

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Engagement Announcement

Of widespread interest in Prince Rupert and vicinity is the announcement of the engagement of Mitsuko, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Nagawa of Port Essington to Mr. Hedika Suehiro, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Y. Suehiro of this city.

The bride is well known in Vancouver, having just returned from that city recently. The wedding will take place some time in March.

So with the young people of this city, your correspondent congratulates the happy couple and wish them every success on their trip through matrimonial seas.

Japanese Association

Mr. H. R. Yamanaka will head the Prince Rupert Japanese Association again this year. On the executive are two Niseis, Shoji Shimizu and Mamoru R. Yoshida.

At the head of the "Gakuen" this year again is Mr. T. Shimizu.

Here and There

On board the tug boat "Kelco," Tomo Katsuyama returned to the Queen Charlotte Islands, accompanied by "Tunge" T. Nakamoto.

Leaving on the S.S. Cassiar on February 5 for their home on the Queen Charlotte were Mr. and Mrs. Sol Kadonaga. A passenger also was Miss Kanako Yamanaka, who will be a guest of Mr. and Mrs. Kadonaga.

With Butedale closing down, Nisei girls have left for their homes in Prince Rupert, Skeena River, Vancouver and other points.

Another well-known visitor to this city was Rev. J. Kabayama of Ocean Falls, here to attend United Church sessions.

Rev. Kabayama gave an interesting talk at the Japanese Language School to the second generation. His topic was the attitude of Japanese Canadians in the present situation. President M. Yoshida occupied the chair.

Bloedel Banner

On February 14 at 2:00 p.m. a Valentine Silver Tea was held in the School by the Menzies Bay Branch members of the Junior Red Cross, the proceeds of which will be forwarded to the Junior Red Cross committee.

Highlighting the afternoon social, the school pupils presented a lively program of dancing, plays and songs.

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The C.R.T. beach camp, once dubbed the "ghost town," is teeming with rebuilding activity as the carpenters are renovating the company's bunkhouses into private homes.

To pass the evenings after work, brother Roy has embarked upon a fascinating hobby of developing kodak films, while your correspondent finds more enjoyment trying trout flies which will yet kiss the surface of numerous lakes and streams in the great outdoors.

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Annual Open Judo Tourney Scheduled

The sight of flying bodies, the thud of body contact on the thick mats and the jubilant shouts and whispered "ohs" will all mingle together in one thrill-packed event when judoists from every Kidokan in the province gather together next Saturday, February 22 at the Japanese Hall for their annual All-Canada Judo Championship Tournament.

Taking the spotlight of the evening's programme will be the battle of the black-belters for the beautiful Nemichi Challenge Cup won by Eiki Kawano of Vancouver Centre last year. These masters of judo, hefties most of them, can supply you with plenty of thrills.

Thrilling in its degree too, will be the junior competition and also the All-Canada team supremacy. Last year Kitsilano's powerful squad swept through all its matches to cop the pennant. Another Kitsilano lad, Yasuo Kamino emerged as the junior champ over a field of over 80 hopefuls.

IT'S ROMANCE, TAKE A CHANCE AT EXHIBITION SPORTS DANCE

SKI TRAILS

Between four to five inches of fresh wet snow greeted the ski enthusiasts last Sunday and made conditions ideal for practising the different turns. Several new faces took advantage of the spring-like weather. Among them were Cecil Okawara and Koji Higashiyama skiing for the first time this season.

Many hiked up to the peak with lunches and spent the whole afternoon slaloming above the "Gulley." Otto Matsgi, Bob Yasui and Sam Hagino looked the most improved of the lot. All in all when the day ended well into dusk, the only casualty was Takasaki with his broken ski tip.

Important Meeting

A full executive meeting will be held tonight at Bus Ohori's, starting around 9.00 o'clock. The meeting will discuss in full about the coming international tournament with the Seattle Hokka Ski Club.

P.S.—A little more cooperation and team spirit from some of the team members will be appreciated.

Our veteran of the skis, Sho Miyanishi seems to be in form again with his famous "telemark," "downhill" and "gelundesprung." At last he seems to be catching up with his skis.

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Monarchs, Celtics Chalk Up Victories

The fouls that M & N lavished on ex-teammate George Ide proved costly for the Men's Wear boys as they went down to a 36-24 defeat from Maikawa's. Ide, the target of all the rough stuff, calmly shoved in six of his free tosses at a crucial moment when M & N were just a few points behind Maikawa.

This win puts the department store boys half a game ahead of Harry's for the top rung of the league standing.

The results of the intermediate games in brief are: **Nippatsus defaulted to Steveston, East End Monarchs defeated Ernies 23-15 and the improved Celtics chalked up their third win by upsetting Nomads 26-19.**

OFF THE RECORD:

Michi Ashikawa who has a yen for always pulling a fast one and then arguing it out has caused a lot of bad feeling, and now George Ide, whom he had coaxed to join Maikawas after quitting M. & N. is getting the brunt of the attacks. M. & N. who are still govelling in the cellar of the league, laid it thick for George last Wednesday, and if something isn't done about it, what fans we have so far at our games will be no more.

You don't have to be an expert basketball critic to note the reason for Ernie's defeats in the Intermediate League. If they could sink even a quarter of the shots they take, they might get some place.

M. & N.—Tanaka, Suzuki 5, Nojiuke 2, Takeda 6, Yamada 7, Nishio 4—24.

Maikawa—Maruno 1, Saga 8, Nishida 2, Ide 8, Ishida 8, Gau 6—36.

Celtics—Sasaki 1, Ishikawa 7, Minamimoto 5, Kudomagu 2, Miki 6, Oucolmi, T. Kano 4, S. Kano—26.

Nomads—Nishimura 2, Fukui 3, Akiyama, Ozaki 1, Tsukamoto 6, Nakatani 9, Mitsui 4—19.

Ernies—Uyenoshi 6, Arai 1, Shimizu, Sato 2, Suga 3—15.

Monarchs—Miyasaki, T. Tokawa 6, Morishita 4, A. Tokawa 6, Inose 1, Tasedo 6—23.

Sport SPOTLITE

Although February makes us think of cold shivery wind, drenching rainstorms, freezing weather and everything else that relates to winter, the old weather-man has been good to us this year and has given us more than our share of balmy spring-like weather.

Already the various outdoor sports are beginning to hum with activity. Steady streams of divoters were seen last Sunday heading for the many local golf-courses, and the tennis courts at Stanley Park were just full of tennis enthusiasts getting in a bit of "sneak" practice before the season really rolls in. Also young men with "fancies"!

Before spring really sets in however, there's still a lot of things to be done. And the short time remaining will be packed with numberless events of interest to everyone.

Badminton Tourney

The badminton league in order to wind up another successful season will stage their Sixth Annual B. C. Open Japanese Badminton Tournament on February 27 and 28 at the Strathcona gym. As in previous years the men's doubles division will be divided into A and B sections. Shig Okumura and Baron Wakabayashi will be defending the A class championship.

History will be made on the 22nd of February when the local basketball league entertains the powerful Fife Nippons, Fife girls and the Tacoma Bussei girls, here for an international series at the newly-built Exhibition Gardens.

This will be the first time the strongest team in the Seattle's Courier League takes the same floor as the Vancouver Nippons and it should be worth it just to see how really good they are. Their two stars, Shig Takeuchi and Yukio Kasai are now first and second in the individual scoring honors of their league.

Preparations are now just about completed for this big event and a record crowd is anticipated. Tickets selling at $1.25 per couple entitles you to see three games and dance from 9 until 12 to Mack's 10 piece orchestra.

On the same day, Fuji Ski members, who have been moaning lack of snow, will be hosts to Seattle Rokka Ski Club in their annual Northwest Ski Tourney. In their last two meets, the local team nosed out the Americans by mere seconds on both occasions for the beautiful Nishihama Cup.

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Reps Drop Close Match To Grandview

The G.V.A.A. Strathcona shuttlers dropped another meet last Wednesday when the Grandview United's nosed them out 9 matches to 7.

All the games were closely contested, but the United's superiority in the women's doubles and the mixed doubles gave the hosts the edge on the victory.

The Nipponese really shone in the men's doubles. Shig Okumura and Baron Wakabayashi, present co-holders of the B. C. Japanese Open Double Championship, were in true championship form and made short work of both their assignments, but Ernie Arikado and Mat Matsui who took Bill Johnston and J. Newell lost out to N. Clark and J. Calder for the only men's doubles loss.

Although the Nipponese girls were the pick of the lot, Lucy Koyanagi, Fumi Deshima, Mary Saegusa and Mary Nishikawara fell to the withering blows of the hard-smashing Grandview girls.

NOTICE TO CAGETTES

An important chalk talk will be given by Kaz Suga and Kinzo Fujioka from 7:30 next Tuesday night in the Gym parlor before the regular practice.

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